

SPOOKS SANS MERCY SQUELCH SCOFFERS

Caste Lines Drawn at Spiritualists' Assembly as to Talks Beyond.

BAR PRIZE FIGHTERIES

Mystery of Ancient MacGillivuddy Watch in Noted Duel Is Unsolved.

Such, indeed, was the tone and dignity of the initial gathering at the Waldorf last night of the twenty-fifth annual convention of the New York State General Assembly of Spiritualists that the various subliminal persons (scoffers) who appeared for the purpose of flipping unworthy queries at President J. F. Stechenreiter (237 East Twenty-sixth street, Brooklyn, if that is of any interest) forebore to flip. They were daunted, rendered speechless by the majestic swing and sweep of the higher thought.

Upon the vulgar side of mere public interest much, perhaps, was lost because of this extraordinary elevation of tone. For example, Capt. F. F. Fitzgibbon, dome, L. I., was among those present, and the venerable adventurer had all primed a question concerning his great uncle, Major Gahagan, who was really responsible for India's being added to the British Empire.

It seems that Great-uncle Gahagan, duelling with Capt. Ignatius L. MacGillivuddy shot a solid gold watch into the Captain's interior in the year 1894, and the MacGillivuddies being in reduced circumstances many years later sold the repeater. Eventually (strangely) it may seem to have fallen into the hands of Grand-nephew Fitzgibbon, who has it now.

A doubt remains always in such affairs, and the Captain desired to assure himself by means of spiritual communication with Great-uncle Gahagan that the watch he has now was really the selfsame timepiece that was pushed by a bullet into the ancient MacGillivuddy's midst.

No end of persons would have wished to fire inquiries as worldly—how many rounds would it take Dempsey to win or which? How much lower the stock market can go, or can't it? What became of the missing ships? Is beer coming back or is liberty quite dead?—but all sat wordless under the eye of President Stechenreiter.

The president's address, not to speak of the opening addresses of Vice-President William H. Burr of Rochester, Mrs. Milton Rathbun of New York and Matthew Stephenson of Myrtle avenue, Albany, made it quite clear that nobody would be permitted in the three days of the convention to shoot a single low, material, vulgar query at the spiritualists. If one desired to inquire about the present health of Aunt Martha, who passed over years ago, or about mother, or father, or Sister Sue, well and good; but nothing common or at all connected with the pursuit of the wretched dollar.

That being established the opening meeting went ahead to meet the growth of spiritualism the country over—not the dim light kind that Sir Oliver and Sir Conan rave about, but the wide open, turn on the light kind that the State Assembly does on. Business for the next three days was laid out.

To-day there will be three sessions, 9:30 A. M., 1:30 P. M. and 7:30 P. M., with spirit greetings conveyed in the evening session through John Slater, medium. To-morrow's programme will follow pretty much the same line, and as for Sunday the spirits will be busy all day at all three sessions.

GUILTY OF \$466,000 LIBERTY BOND THEFT

Broker's Messenger Convicted—Two Under Indictment.

Antonio di Gregorio, formerly chief messenger at the brokerage house of Kean, Taylor & Co., 5 Nassau street, was convicted last night of robbery in the first degree by a jury before Supreme Court Justice MacCraty in Brooklyn.

Di Gregorio participated in the robbery of Liberty bonds valued at \$466,000 from two of Kean, Taylor & Co.'s messengers near the wire mill plant of Igoe Brothers at 69 Metropolitan avenue, Williamsburg, November 30, 1920.

Vanilla and Joseph Amoruso of 815 East Eleventh street, Manhattan, also are under indictment for robbery, having been identified as the men who held up the messengers on information furnished by Di Gregorio.

A substantial part of the bonds has been recovered in other cities.

AVIATION OFFICER HELD IN THEFT OF MATERIAL

Used Parts to Revamp Motors, It Is Charged.

Lieut. John P. Roullot, attached to the Aviation Corps at Mitchel Field, Mineola, was held in \$1,500 bail by Federal Commissioner McCabe in Brooklyn yesterday, it being charged that much of the material used by him in an automobile repair business was Government property.

According to Department of Justice Agent Maher, Roullot had charge of the army planes at Mitchel Field. By virtue of his position he was enabled to requisition and obtain cranks, connecting rods, gear boxes and carburetors, extensively for the repair of army automobiles, but in reality for the repair of machines in his private venture.

It is alleged that Roullot purchased old automobiles and with Government equipment revamped them and sold them again at a profit. Roullot denied the charge. His home is in California.

NEW SERVICE TO EUROPE.

U. S. Mail Liner America, Former Transport, to Sail To-morrow.

The United States mail liner America, formerly the Hamburg-American liner America, returned to port early yesterday morning after an all night trial trip to test her engines.

To-morrow the liner, which has been completely reconditioned after use as a troop transport, will inaugurate a new American service to European ports. She is the largest of the new American passenger liners, having a tonnage of 23,622. Her speed on the trial trip was fifteen knots, made at less than with her full head of steam.

FRANKLIN SQ. BRIDGE SITE.

PHILADELPHIA, June 23.—Discussion over choice of sites for the local approach to the suspension bridge to be strung across the Delaware River to Camden, N. J., ended to-day when the joint bridge commission accepted the engineer's report in favor of Franklin square.

LOSES STOCK LOSS SUIT AGAINST DE LAMAR ESTATE

Former Superintendent Says Captain 'Guaranteed,' but He Dropped \$15,000—Property Has Increased Million in Value to \$33,327,335.

A \$15,000 claim against the estate of Capt. Joseph R. De Lamar, presented by William Churchill, who was superintendent of the De Lamar estate, Pembroke, at Glen Cove, L. I., was disallowed by Charles F. Brown of 59 Wall street, referee on the account of the executor, who filed his report in the Surrogate's Court yesterday. Churchill claimed the money was lost in stock speculation through the brokerage firm of Dominick & Dominick of 115 Broadway, where he carried an account for the purchase and sale of International Nickel Corporation stock. Churchill contended that Capt. De Lamar had such faith in the stock his employer guaranteed him against loss.

The referee reported that before the hearings were concluded the executors paid in full a \$35,000 claim of Thomas A. Adams for legal services. A claim of \$20,000 presented by Dr. William J. Burns for medical services was settled for \$5,000. The report shows that for administering the general estate commissions of \$260,633 each are due William Nelson

Cromwell, Alfred Jaretski and the United States Trust Company, and that they are also entitled to \$50,000 each in addition for administering the trust fund of \$10,000,000 created for the benefit of Capt. De Lamar's only child, Alice A. De Lamar, who also was bequeathed the Glen Cove estate.

Miss De Lamar, so Mr. Brown reports, has waived her right to invoke that section of the decedent's estate law which bars a person from giving more than half of his estate to charity and has given her consent to the provisions of her father's will leaving the residue of his estate to Harvard, Columbia and Johns Hopkins universities and the Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor.

Miss De Lamar put in a claim for her father's yacht, the Savarona and the Sagetta, but the referee held them to be part of the residuary estate and decided against her. The report states that the executors now have on hand \$14,552,956 belonging to the estate. At the time of his death Capt. De Lamar left \$32,282,937. The estate has since increased to \$33,327,335.

ELEVATOR DOOR JAMS; MAN CAPTIVE 4 HOURS

Firemen Rescue Him From Fourth Avenue Basement.

The door of an elevator jammed last night when Benjamin Luntz of 29 East 123d street drove it down to the basement in the fifteen story building at 352 Fourth avenue, and when he tried to start it again it wouldn't work. Luntz began beating against the sides and door of the elevator, but it was half an hour before he was heard by Patrolman Jerry Drew of the East Twenty-second street station. Drew tried to release the man, but couldn't, and called Hook and Ladder Company No. 7. Firemen got Luntz out with bars and axes. The elevator man was not injured when he was rescued after four hours of imprisonment, but he was so nervous that he was attended by an ambulance surgeon from Bellevue Hospital.

TO CALL UP HIGHWAY BILL.

WASHINGTON, June 23.—Chairman Townsend of the Senate Post Roads Committee notified the Senate to-day of his intention to call up at an early date the bill to create a Federal highway commission and establish an interstate highway system which he said must be speedily enacted to assure continuation of Federal aid in road building.

AFRICAN BECOMES BISHOP SUFFRAGAN

Rt. Rev. T. M. Gardiner Consecrated at Services in Church of the Incarnation.

On the centenary of the beginning of missionary work in Liberia, and in the presence of the President of the Liberian Republic, the Rt. Rev. Theophilus M. Gardiner, born an African tribesman and a Mohammedan, was consecrated yesterday as Bishop Suffragan of Liberia in the Church of the Incarnation, Thirty-fifth street and Madison avenue. It is the first time in the history of the Episcopal Church that a native African has been raised to such a high office. Dr. Daniel Sylvester Tuttle, presiding Bishop of the American church, presided at the consecration, assisted by the Rt. Rev. William T. Manning, Bishop of New York; the Rt. Rev. Arthur S. Lloyd, Bishop Suffragan of New York; the Rt. Rev. Paul Matthews, Bishop of New Jersey; the Rt. Rev. Thomas F. Gallor, Bishop of Tennessee, and the Rt. Rev. Walter H. Owers, Bishop of Liberia and immediate superior of the new Bishop Suffragan.

The election of Bishop Gardiner took place more than a year ago, but the consecration was delayed because the presence of the Bishops is required by church law and he consequently had to come to New York for the ceremony. Bishop Owers, who delivered the sermon, said fourteen of the thirty native tribes of Liberia had accepted Christianity, and it was among the Mohammedan tribes of his district that the new Bishop would be called upon to labor.

President C. B. D. King of Liberia, who is in this country seeking a loan, came on from Washington for the consecration. About one-third of the fifty clergymen attending the service were negroes.

LIEUT. MATTHEWS GETS D. S. C.

George Matthews, Jr., of 333 East Twenty-sixth street, was decorated yesterday with the Distinguished Service Cross by Gen. Robert Lee Bullard at Governor's Island. Lieut. Matthews, formerly a second lieutenant in the 15th Machine Gun Battalion, Twenty-seventh Division, was cited for "extraordinary heroism in action near Abrie Guernon, France, October 18, 1918."

After having been wounded in the head and while suffering great pain he coolly and efficiently made disposition for the securing of his guns, the placing of his men and the evacuation of his wounded. Later at a dressing station, though bleeding profusely, he refused surgical attention until other wounded men of his platoon had been cared for.

SARANAC LAKE INN BURNS.

SARANAC LAKE, June 23.—Bartlett's Inn and five of the nine adjoining cottages were burned last night. The guests escaped.

FAKE FIGHT TICKET ENGRAVER TRACED

Accused Man Is Known and Detectives Expect to Have Him in Jail Soon.

The District Attorney's office took a hand yesterday in the investigation into the printing and sale of counterfeit tickets to the Dempsey-Carpentier fight, and William A. McQuaid, Assistant District Attorney, was assigned to help the police in rounding up the counterfeiters and prosecuting cases. Inspector John Coughlin said that he will have completed his case, so far as the New York end is concerned, when he has arrested the engraver, who made the plates from which the fake tickets were printed. Detectives, it is said, expect that he will be arrested soon.

Tex Rickard, the promoter of the prize fight, said yesterday that while he believed the arrest of eight men on Wednesday had broken up the only ring of ticket counterfeiters operating in New York, a second group may be working with headquarters probably in Reading, Pa. He based this opinion on information that counterfeit tickets for the \$30 section are being circulated in the Pennsylvania city. The ones seized Wednesday by the New York detectives were for the \$50 section, all ringed seats. Furthermore, the Reading counterfeiters are made by a photocopying process, while the ones discovered here were printed from original plates.

Mr. Rickard said that he has already learned that the fake tickets have been sold in Kansas City, St. Louis, Philadelphia and Atlantic City, and that he has also heard that arrests have been made in each of those cities. Any fight fan that appears at the arena on July 2 with a fake ticket, Mr. Rickard said, will be apprised at the gate and the holder of the genuine ticket will get the seat his ticket calls for. Agents of the International Ticket Company, which had the printing contract, will be stationed at the gates to examine doubtful looking tickets.

The eight men arrested Wednesday were arraigned yesterday in the Tombs Court and held in \$1,500 bail each for further examination on June 30. They are: Louis Cohen, 1204 Washington street, Hoboken; Carmine De Matteo, 112 East Eleventh street; Andrew Fawcett, 254 Classon avenue, Brooklyn; Abraham Heid, 176 East Seventy-ninth street; Abraham Last, 92 Willett street; Sebastian Fagella, 125 Mott street; James Tichio, 116 Mott street, and Carmine Loungo, 167 Hester street.

RACE RIOT ENDS BEFORE IT GETS A GOOD START

Jersey City White and Negro Boy Fight; Many Join In.

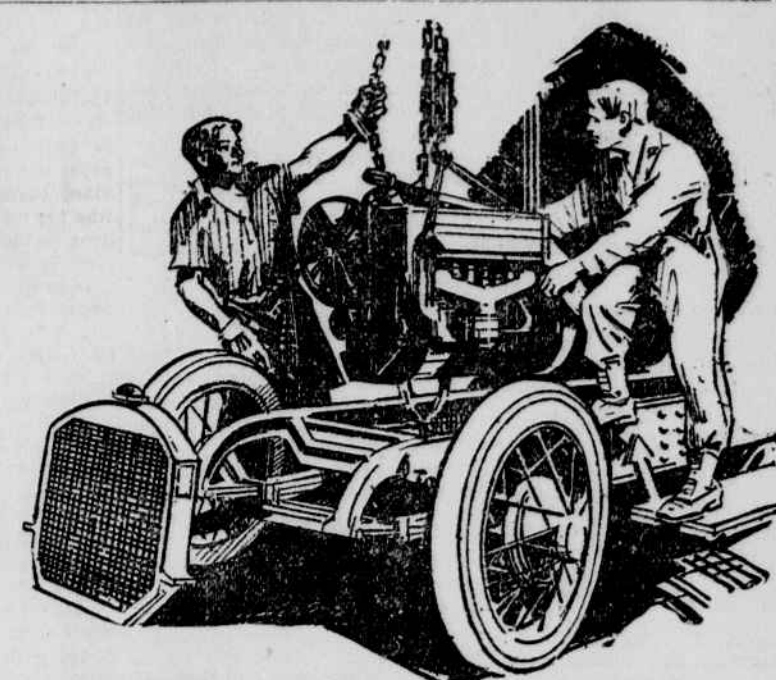
Police reserves from three Jersey City stations broke up a riot last night at Bramhall avenue and Halladay street. The trouble began when Gen. Washington Caldwell, son of Gen. Caldwell, a negro of 361 Bramhall avenue, got into a fight with a white boy, and a ring was formed around the combatants. The elder Gen. Caldwell jumped into the ring when his son began getting the worst of the row, and General was taken on for a fight by Peter Brennan of 1 Van Horn street, a white man.

rioters, but they made good use of their nightsticks and soon dispersed the crowd. Three men were taken to the Communipaw avenue station, but were released later.

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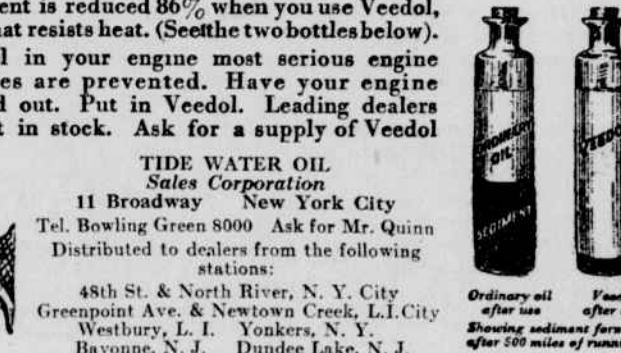
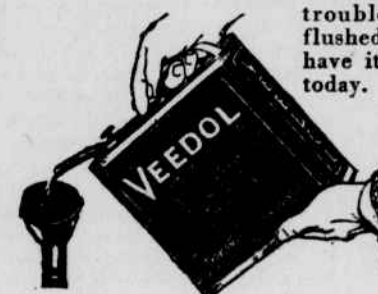
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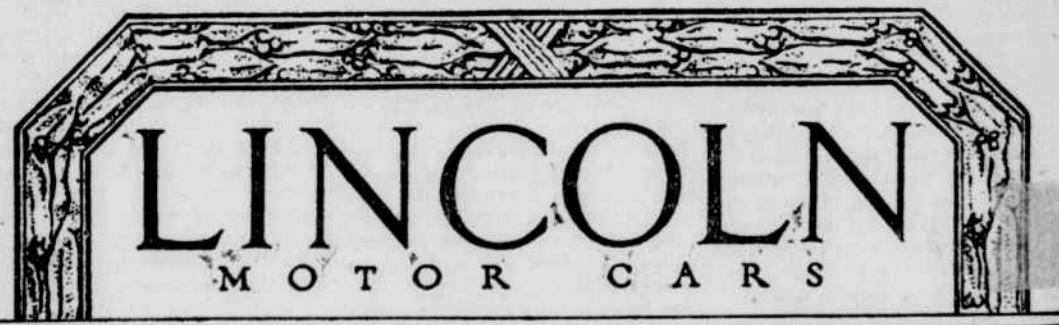
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